

Grant increase 'better than expected'

Community college

operation allowances

increased for 1976-77

Community colleges will get an increase in grants for operating expenses for 1976-77 of 10 per cent to 13.4 per cent. A.S. Manera, president of Niagara College, said the increase was "better than expected."

Harry C. Parrott, Minister of Colleges and Universities, made the announcement on Jan. 12 in Toronto at a meeting of the presidents and chairmen of boards of governors of colleges of applied arts and technology.

The total allocation for colleges is \$230 million, an overall increase of 14.4 per cent over last year.

By the end of January, 97 per cent of this money will be dispersed to the colleges. The rest will be held back allowing for requests for adjustment from Feb. 1 to March 15. A committee will review the requests making recommendations to Mr. Parrott by May 15.

Mr. Parrott said, "After final decisions are made regarding adjustments, any remaining operating funds will be proportionately allocated to the colleges."

All 14.4 per cent will be distributed by May 31.

Mr. Manera said this increase is even more significant, realizing the provincial government is trying to hold expansion increases to 10 per cent in the province. The fact the colleges are getting an increase of 14.4 per cent shows how highly the province values the colleges.

As far as capital funding is concerned, Mr. Parrott said, "the picture is not quite as bright." The financial details have not yet been finalized but he said no new capital projects will be approved next year. Capital funds will only be used for "carry-over commitments and equipment replacement and repairs."

Mr. Parrott cautioned, however, colleges should not expect increases in years to come, saying, "It may well be our turn in 1977-78 to receive less than other jurisdictions."

In the future, Mr. Parrott also promised to make it a personal commitment to get funding information out quickly to the colleges so they may have as much lead time as possible for future planning. His recommendations for funding for 1977-79 are now before the premier.

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SAC president promoting increased executive honoraria

Up 9.5 per cent

Enrolment increases in all departments

January enrolment figures show an increase of 9.5 per cent over the same time last year John Parrott, registrar said. In 1975 1,806 students enrolled as compared to 1,978 this year.

All departments of the college showed increases as well. A breakdown of the figures shows Applied Arts increased 8.2 per cent to 713 students, Health Sciences increased 8.2 per cent to 433 students, Business increased 9.7 per cent to 473, and Applied Sciences and Technology increased 13.7 per cent to 359 enrolled as of Jan. 12.

Mr. Parrott said he was also optimistic there will be an increase in Hotel and Food Services, saying he expects about 100 to register while 78 registered last year. Registration for Hotel and Food Services is Feb. 2.

Niagara College decided to cancel an engineering technology program because only four students had enrolled. A minimum of 20 students was required.

Another 46 students enrolled for General Business courses and General College Diploma programs. There were 16 newly enrolled in the General College Program, while 30 more enrolled in General Business.

Mr. Parrott explained registration in these programs increased because more and more high schools are moving to the semester system and the students are finishing in January.

DAWG GONE

The stray dog which was around the Student Administrative Council (SAC) trailer last term has been put to sleep.

The pooch, which the SAC executives had hoped to make the college mascot, was put up for adoption at the Welland Humane Society early in December. When no home was found for the dog, Dennis Reeves, SAC president, retrieved it and brought it back to the Humane Society later for a second adoption period, without success.

Dennis said it would have been cruel for SAC to adopt the dog as it would have been on its own most of the time.

By JOHN BRUCE

Dennis Reeves, SAC president, told the Niagara News he planned to talk to students today in the cafeteria during the double lunch period to outline the proposed pay increases and to encourage students to come to a general student body meeting within the next week.

SAC had originally scheduled the general student body meeting for Dec. 11, 1975, but postponed it when it was pointed out the constitution required "at least three school days notice" for the meeting.

According to the SAC constitution, a motion to increase the honoraria of the council executive must be approved by a majority of SAC at a general meeting.

At least five per cent of the members of SAC must be present at the meeting to form a quorum. All students at the college and its satellites are voting members of SAC. Dennis said 100 students would be sufficient to vote on proposed increases.

If the student body agrees to the proposals, four SAC officers would have their honoraria increased from the present \$40 per month.

New annual earnings would be:
vice-president of finance-
\$800, at present \$320
executive vice-president-
\$600, at present \$320
vice-president of internal affairs-
\$600, at present \$320
convener of clubs-
\$425, at present \$320.

Dennis said he isn't seeking an increase in his \$1,000 per year honorarium. The proposals do not affect the recording secretary, the vice-president of athletics and the vice-president of external affairs.

The Revenue Canada office in St. Catharines told the News last month that while SAC council members and employees are not legally covered by the federal government's wage guidelines, they are morally obliged to comply. The guidelines set a maximum pay increase of 10 per cent. The proposed increases for the four SAC officers range from about 30 per cent for the convener of clubs to more than 240 per cent for the financial vice-president.

The next scheduled date was Dec. 16, 1975, but nobody showed up except a Niagara News reporter.

At the SAC meeting meeting Jan. 12, Dennis decided to get together with the students today and have the vote as soon as possible.

Dennis said he feels the council really deserves the increase in pay. "They work very hard and spend a lot of time with their duties. They are unable to hold down part-time jobs because of this," he said.

NC, Brock carnival?

Dennis Reeves, president of the Student Administrative Council (SAC) at its meeting on Jan. 12 said attempted communication by him with Brock University about a joint Winter Carnival has thus far gone unanswered.

Dennis said he made several calls, left notes and visited Brock a number of times, all without result. He said he will give it one more try and if nothing comes of that, Niagara College will hold the Winter Carnival on its own.



SOME DRIVERS DON'T THINK

Thoughtless, inconsiderate and just plain stupid drivers add to the congestion in Niagara's parking lots. While snow covers parking

lines, drivers can still use common sense to park near property. One driver here has boxed in another so there would be no opportunity for

the latter to move. Other drivers fail to park close enough to each other, thereby depriving others of parking spaces in already crowded

lots. Snow plowed to rises surrounding the lots also reduce space for parking. Late starts on snow removal after storms do not permit

complete clearance of the lots before traffic begins to arrive. (Photos by Kindy)

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EDITORIAL

Happy (?) New Year

Rubbery legs, swollen pounding heads, churning stomachs, and minds that refuse to function for at least two days—conclusive proof that a successful New Year's Eve party has been held.

With the use of my 20/20 hindsight, I think it would have been easier to self-inflict an overdose of the plague rather than go through the exhausting ritual of the New Year's Eve party. This at least would have left me bright and alert for the next day (for a while), and my agony would have been ended, even if not mercifully.

What is there that is so great about New Year's Eve anyway? One year is the same as the next to me, except for the pain of a few more pounds and the hassle of cheques being sent back because I've dated them for last year, a process which usually continues until July.

Is this something to cheer about, I ask you? Even Guy Lombardo must be tired of the perennial celebration (drunken orgy) for which he provides the music. I mean, Auld Lang Syne is a nice song, but how many times can you play it (and be forced to listen to it with a bunch of screaming nostalgics) before you get so sick of it that you want to throw up?

And for any of you who may have been foolish enough to give a New Year's Eve party, I can only say it's your own fault. Or, as Sir Winston Churchill, a perennial end-of-year party-giver, once said, "Never have so few suffered for so many!"

The aftermath of a New Year's Eve party is an endless maze of streamers, noisemakers, chips, pretzels, spilled drinks (devilish concoctions) and sometimes a turkey or two who want the party to continue until next Dec. 31. (If one of these people extends his visit at your party, I suggest you have your room-mate/wife or whatever, throw him/her out. You should be too busy complaining about the mess.)

As it is the beginning of the new year, I have made a New Year's resolution: never again will I attend a New Year's Eve party! (But I do plan to attend a funeral and the accompanying wake this Dec. 31, 1976, which a friend of mine is planning to give for our terminally ill friend, Father Time (a sad case, that one). It should be a very sober affair, with only family and close friends of the deceased. And, honest, it's not a New Year's Eve party...)

Mark Tessier

Registration chaos again

The letter to the editor from Phil Wilson concerning registration procedures points out the lack of organization on registration days.

To tell certain people to come at a certain time and then not make sure these time allotments are observed is an injustice of the highest degree. Persons whose names are at the end of the alphabetical list should not be discriminated against, as was the case with Mr. Wilson.

Niagara College has a computer. We are sure it could be used to facilitate registration proceedings. Perhaps the easiest method, and the most obvious, would be to have the students fill in forms listing the courses and electives they would like to take next term. The computer would then pre-register the students into the courses on a first-come, first-served basis, until the courses are filled.

This method would also give the administration an idea of which options are no longer needed and which should be enlarged, if possible. Of course, this method is not perfect, but it does cut down on lines and disappointments on registration day.

Implementation of this method would probably be a piece of cake, as the University of Waterloo uses it and it has to deal with 14,000 students as compared to Niagara's 2,000.

Mark Tessier

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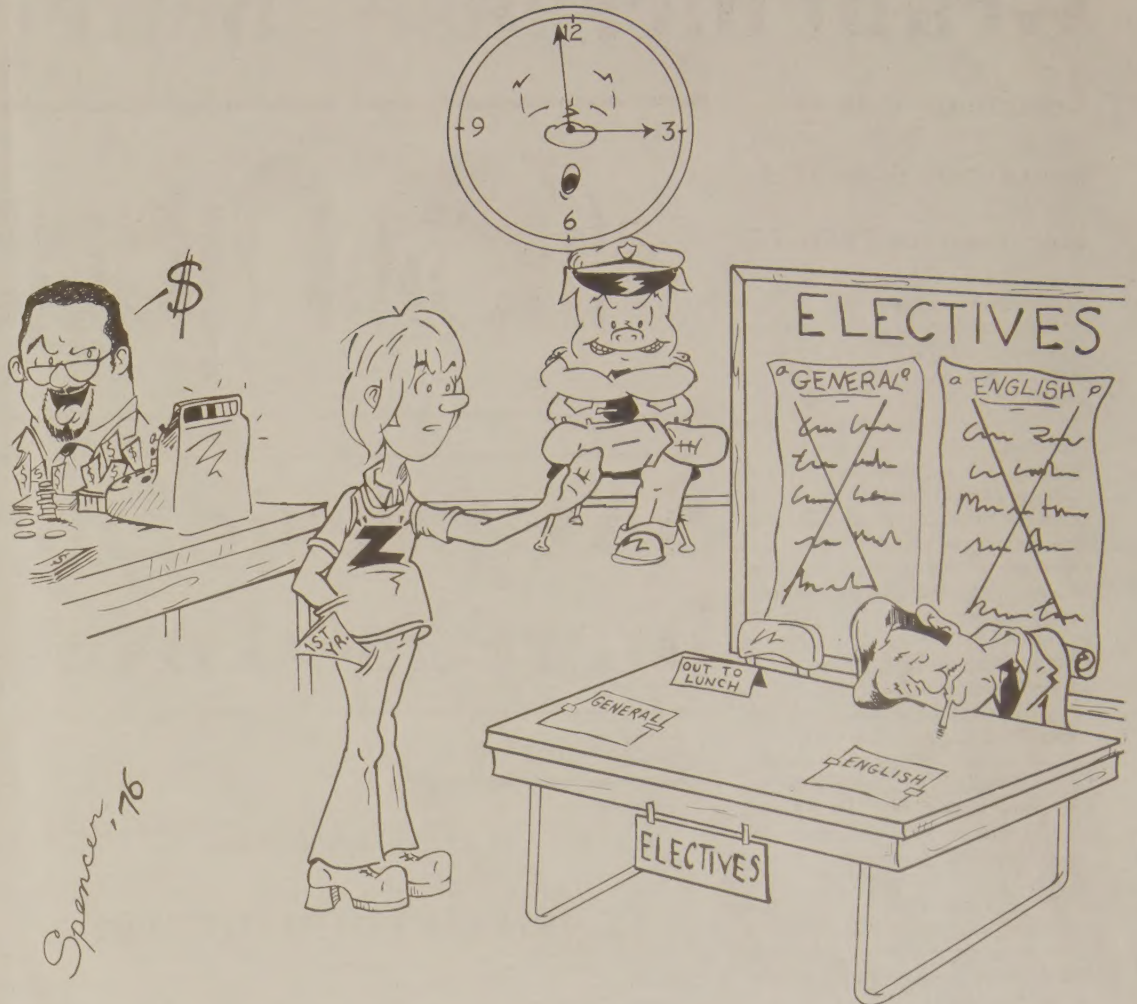
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"They told me to come at this time... Now there's nothing left."

BULLPIT

Conservatives flirting with political limbo

By JOHN BRUCE

With barely a month to go, the moribund Tory leadership campaign has started to show the odd spark of life. Just when Trudeau and his Orwellian musing on the future of Canadian life were sparking all the debate and grabbing all the headlines, the candidates for Bob Stanfield's job have come up with a few decks of their own.

Jack Horner, the boy wonder of Alberta cattle country and Dalton Camp's favorite son, has been going around telling the delegates and John Q. Public that his opponents are too bland, intellectually bankrupt, or from Quebec (a cardinal sin these days, it seems) to be the party leader and holder of a five-year mortgage on the Sussex Drive swimming hole in 1978.

Brian Mulroney, the Montreal mystery man, has been revealed as playing Tonto to Stanfield's Lone Ranger in recruiting Claude Wagner for the Tory party, and the \$300,000 slush fund for Wagner's "security." After all, turncoat ex-provincial cabinet members never die, they just starve if they lose an election.

Joseph Zappia, one of the lucky few who got one of those tenderless Olympic building contracts, was found to have another candidate's committed delegates' signatures on his nomination papers. The RCMP have been called in to investigate. It's too bad Zappia isn't a federal cabinet member. Then he could claim "executive privilege" as Jean Marchand did to prevent the Mounties from examining his role in the Skyshops Affair.

And out in Edmonton, Premier Peter Lougheed continues to deny any interest in Uncle Bob's job.

The trouble with all this, Wagner, Mulroney, Horner, Stevens, McDonald, Hellyer (remember him?) besides the lack of space on the ballot, is the delegates will fall asleep during the speeches and the television audience will switch over to Lawrence Welk for more action.

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Then there is always the chance a real dogfight will develop, which will completely turn off the public and send them looking elsewhere for a viable alternative to the Trudeau dictatorship.

Unless some semblance of order is placed on the leadership campaign

and the convention is conducted in an intelligent, orderly fashion, the Tories may well snatch defeat from the jaws of victory once again. The goal of the party is to rid the country of Trudeau and his "oumen" before they irrevocably split the country.

However, a nationally televised circus of a convention and a name-calling, backstabbing and delegate-stealing campaign can only serve to ruin any chance to rid ourselves of Trudeau for the next 12 or 15 years, and who can say what will happen to Canada by then?

Letters to the Editor

Protests

Dear Editor:

I would like to strongly protest the method of registration at this college.

On Monday Jan. 5, I arrived at the gym to register for my second term. A letter I had received the previous week informed me that as my last name began with a W, I should register between 2.30 and 4.30 p.m.

When I arrived at 2.15, no one asked me why I was early or tried to prevent me from registering. I soon learned from a friend that I could have arrived at 9 a.m. and registered.

This did not really upset me until I found out how many electives are left by 2 p.m. Without mentioning names the subjects which were not full, and there weren't many, were, to put it kindly, less than interesting.

Fortunately, one of my first term teachers was kind enough to squeeze me into his class even though it was over full. My sympathy goes out to those who were not as lucky.

If the college is not going to observe its own registration procedures and let anyone register at any time, then I would strongly suggest that they stop wasting money by sending out registration timetables that they do not intend to follow.

Yours truly,
Phil Wilson

Appreciation

Dear Editor:

I would greatly appreciate if my message to the Retraining Students could be published in the first 1976 issue of Niagara News.

I wish to thank my council for all their help and support during my term as president and would like to wish Yvette Ward the best of luck as the new President of the Retraining Student Council.

I would also like to thank everyone who attended our Christmas Party and help they enjoyed themselves. A special thanks to Yvette Ward and her son Jeff and to Carole Arbeau and her husband who very much helped to make the party possible.

Debbi Lee Marton

Seat belt law picture complex

By BEV DELANEY

The new Ontario seat belt legislation may be controversial but it is the law. Maybe.

Chief Albert Shennan of the Niagara Regional Police has been quoted as saying his force will not be over-zealous in enforcing the regulations.

Constable Cork, officer in charge of Number 1 Traffic Division agrees. If a police officer sees a motorist with the shoulder harness obviously not in use, the officer will probably get the motorist's attention and point to the belt. It is unlikely the officer would stop the motorist to write up a ticket, he said.

The new law will be enforced in the same manner as licence and insurance checks are now. If the police have reasonable and probable grounds to suspect that a driver lacks insurance or a valid driver's licence, they will stop a motorist to check. Motorists might also be caught unbuckled in a radar trap or unsafe vehicle check.

If a motorist is involved in a traffic accident the investigating officer will ask the driver and passengers if their belts were buckled. If the answer is no, charges will probably be laid even if the offender is in the right in the accident, Constable Cork said.

The car insurance crunch comes when carrying passengers aged two to 16. CIAG insurance adjuster Mike Edwards advises that if a driver is involved in an accident with unbelted children in the car, he or she is now more open to a civil action for gross negligence. Otherwise, insurance claims and coverage remain unchanged.

The ministry of transportation and communications is currently running a series of advertisements to advise motorists of the new regulations. In summary they are:

1 If your vehicle is a 1970 model or earlier, you do not have to use seat belts. If your car is a 1971 model or later, you must buckle up. Seat belts which are not working must be repaired and those removed must be re-installed.

2 All seat belts must be used. If there are more passengers than belts, the extra passengers are exempt.

3 The driver is responsible for all passengers aged two to 16. Children under two do not have to use seat belts and adults are responsible for themselves.

If you suffer or think you suffer from a condition which prevents you from using seat belts, you must get an exemption certificate from your doctor.

How safe are seat belts? Tom Stevenson, president of the Greater Niagara Safety Council, is concerned about the strength of old seat belts. He advises that motorists have their seat belts checked periodically by qualified service personnel. If the webbing is weakened or the anchor point rusted, the belt could be useless.

Mr. Stevenson also says the public must be educated to the use of seat belts.

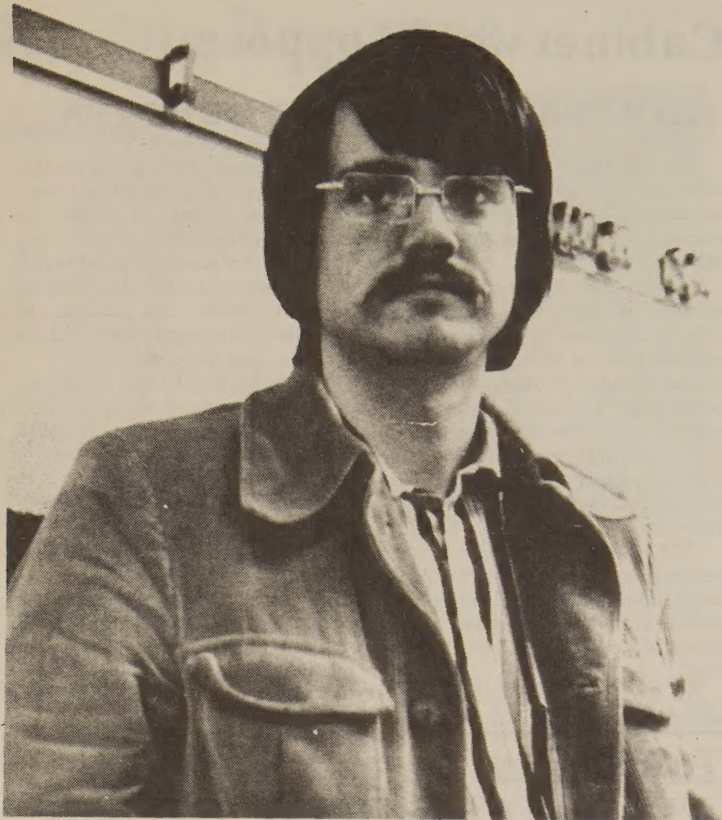
Seat belts do save lives and

reduce injuries and the savings in lives and health care costs are expected to be high. To be effective, however, they must be buckled correctly.

The lap belt should fit snugly over the hips, not the stomach. Used over the waist, it can cause serious damage in a collision.

The shoulder harness should fit over the chest, with a fist width between the chest and the strap. On newer model cars, the shoulder harness is designed to be loose when driving and to tighten up on impact.

None of the straps or buckles should ever be twisted. When twisted they lose strength and can be dangerous.



Don McCahill

(Photo by Bruce)

Paper fulfils dreams of ex-Niagara newsman

By JOHN BRUCE

Don McCahill, a former journalism student at Niagara, has achieved a lifetime ambition and has started his own newspaper in Lambton County.

His paper, The Tribune, serves the three northern townships of the county in southwestern Ontario. It is published bi-weekly and has a circulation of 2,000 with a paid circulation of only 250.

"I'm not the type of guy to work for someone else," Don said. "I like to make my own decisions."

The paper gives him plenty of chances to make his own decisions. Don is the editor, reporter, photographer, advertising department, layout man and circulation manager of The Tribune. And he admits to many 16-hour days.

The paper concentrates on local news and sports of Forest, Arkona, Bosanquet and Thetford, Ont. It is the only area paper to cover the council meetings of these localities and caters to the great interest in

sports.

The paper seems to be generally well received in the area, Don said. It is coming along well in Thetford and Arkona, but is having problems in Forest where Don says he needs a market to make a profit.

At the moment, The Tribune is operating on a shoestring budget. Each issue costs between \$125 and \$150 to put out depending on the size and number of pictures. The only source of revenue right now is advertising and a few paid subscriptions. "It's breaking even," Don said.

Don hopes to go weekly in the near future. He would like to increase his circulation in the town of Forest with paid subscriptions to make the paper a paying proposition.

First Visitors

Vikings from Iceland and Greenland sailed down the eastern coast of Canada in the A.D. 1,000s

Markham complaint answered

Graphics conditions similar to industry: advisor

Being deprived is a "relative condition"; college students should look at conditions in industry before complaining about working conditions and facilities in the college.

So said Donald C. Williamson, president of a St. Catharines Advertising Agency, in a letter to the Niagara News, answering a graphic arts student's complaint about lack of equipment in the department.

Mr. Williamson, a member of the Graphic Arts Advisory Committee, said rather than comparing the working conditions and facilities of one department in the college with another, students should consider how each department compares with the industry it is preparing people for. By doing this, Mr. Williamson said, one would be "comparing apples with apples."

Mr. Williamson who employs three Niagara graduates said he finds them to be "contributing to our success."

In writing the letter, he said, he was in no way critical of complaints made by the graphic arts student;

he simply offered "a different view of the problem."

The letter said:

"This letter to the editor may be used as you see fit, hopefully in an early issue of Niagara News. It is a comment on the article headlines 'Student claims Graphic Arts deprived', which appeared in the Dec. 11 issue.

"I salute Heather Markham on her forthrightness and courage. She has no doubt helped focus attention on a problem which she believes is one of the utmost importance - the shortage of equipment in the graphic arts department.

"As Ron Rewbury points out it is a problem that is acknowledged by the staff and by the college administration. It is also a problem that has been thoroughly reviewed with the graphic arts advisory committee. As most of your readers realize, the advisory committees are made up of educators, and business people in the community who are not connected with the college. They receive no reimbursement from the

college other than the personal satisfaction that comes from participating in an attempt to improve the quality of education that the student receives while at the college.

"However those of us in business who serve on the committees do so for other than unselfish reasons. We do so because the future of our businesses depend on attracting suitable people to our firms as employees. To stay in the competitive race we want the best people with the best training and the best philosophical outlook we can find at costs that are practical.

"As we face the future of our own companies we are continually reviewing performances and forecasting needs for the future in terms of people, equipment, capital, etc., relative to the potential of the market to provide a reasonable return on our investment of time and money. We bring this experience to bear when discussing the needs of the graphic arts department.

"What the student may not

appreciate is the fact being deprived is a relative condition; while we strive in dialogue with the administration to put forth recommendations which will move the course towards 'the ideal' we cannot divorce these recommendations and concerns from those we face in the daily operations of our businesses.

"It might give Heather a better perspective if she compared the facilities she has in the graphic arts department at Niagara with the facilities that she will have at her disposal when she enters her chosen field as an employee of a graphic arts company. She would find that most of these companies whose taxes pay for the facilities at the college are working under conditions that are more severely deprived in terms of equipment, space and over all working conditions than those conditions found at the college. By doing this Heather would then be comparing apples with apples.

"As for results the college is producing, we are most prejudiced.

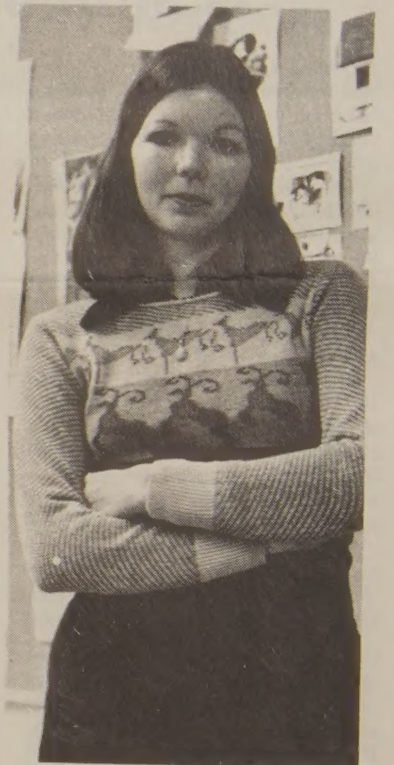
Of our firm of eight people, three are graduates of Niagara College. They are contributing to our success in a most gratifying way. They work directly with clients in a team effort to find practical solutions to problems making the best use of the facilities at hand. They also voice their suggestions for improving facilities and procedures. They are having a positive influence on the direction in which we are moving.

This letter is in no way a criticism of Heather Markham. We just felt that after sharing her thoughts she would appreciate a different view of the problem.

"We congratulate you and your staff on the general tone and quality of the Niagara News and take great interest in receiving each issue."

Jackets, shirts ordered

Niagara College nursing students have ordered about 45 crested jackets and 200 assorted T-shirts with delivery slated for late January.



Janice Sherk

Image Design award: Janice Sherk 1st winner

By JOHN BRUCE

For Janice Sherk, a second-year Fashion Arts student, Christmas '75 came nine days early. Miss Sherk received the first student achievement award from Image Design Ltd. of St. Catharines.

In a brief ceremony in the Fashion Arts studio, Miss Sherk received a letter of commendation and a cheque for \$150 from Image Design president, John Knight.

"I was very surprised," Miss Sherk said when she learned of her award. She plans to use the money "for my school expenses and my trip to Montreal, too."

Mr. Knight was impressed with Miss Sherk's work. "I was struck by the confidence she displayed" he said. "She's got a good sense of design," referring to her use of space in her artwork.

Mr. Knight decided to give the award to encourage students to excel in their school work and to interest them in the advertising business. He said he hopes to present the award annually to a deserving student in the advertising design section of Fashion Arts.

Eileen Muir, Fashion Arts instructor said she was happy that Image Design had brought their award to Niagara College. "We were extremely pleased."

Mrs. Muir had high praise for Miss Sherk and her abilities. "She does an excellent job," Mrs. Muir

said. "She's an excellent student; she gives it everything she has."

Mrs. Muir said Image Design had agreed to help her students with field placement.



Jim Fannon and Dan Baraniuk of Niagara Frontier install new sandwich machine.

(Photo by Potter)

Food, food, food

Cafeteria's loss is Simcoe's gain

Despite too-wide machines (or too small doors) the Simcoe Building has been provided with a sandwich vending machine and a micro-wave oven.

The machines were installed Jan. 6 by Niagara Frontier Caterers Ltd. after a petition circulated in the Simcoe area by secretaries of the School of Applied Arts got almost instant response from both A.S. Aboud, director of student services, and Niagara Frontier.

The machine holds 130 items on 10 racks varying in price from 20 to 60 cents. So far the "menu" has included such lunch favorites as hot dogs, pizza, hamburgers, meat pies, western and other kinds of sandwiches, and even apples.

It also contains both chocolate and white milk.

The only problem accompanying the installation, from the petition to the final installation — next to the coffee machine on the first floor of the Simcoe building — was encountered by Jack Hutchison, Dan Baraniuk and Jim Fannon of Niagara Frontier when they tried to bring the machine through the east doors of the building.

However, after a little manoeuvring and some coaxing, the problem was solved.

Mr. Fannon said the machine would contain mainly items that could be heated in the microwave oven.

Jack Hutchison, the serviceman for the machines on the Niagara campus, said that sales from the machine so far had been "surprisingly good."

Wellandvale 'Reflections' coming in book form

The Students of Wellandvale campus are publishing a book of their own prose and poetry, to be called Reflections.

According to Jim O'Brien, an instructor at the Wellandvale campus, the book is published to encourage the students, especially in the academic stream, to be creative.

The book will contain 60 entries, but there were about 100 submissions.

The story of the machine began in early December when the Applied Arts secretaries began circulating their petition.

The petition, addressed to Mr. Aboud, said there are "times when we are too pressed to be able to run over to the cafeteria for these items."

By Dec. 8, only a few days later, Mr. Aboud sent a memorandum to Peggy Lewis, one of the secretaries, to inform her that arrangements to install the machine had been completed and promised installation within a week.

Because new wiring was necessary, installation was not completed until Jan. 6.

Despite the delay, Kay Steele, who headed the group of secretaries requesting the machine, said, "I really think all of us in this area wanted the machine. But we really didn't expect them to be installed so quickly and efficiently." She thanked Mr. Aboud for his work in getting the machines.

Mr. Fannon said moving the machines from the Black Walnut Building cafeteria to the new area was no problem for Niagara Frontier.

"Jack will just spend a little more time in the Simcoe Building and a little less in the cafeteria," he said.

He added that the company would experiment to see what does, and does not sell.

"Obviously, we won't keep putting in items that nobody wants. If we find that one item is selling better than another, we'll just put more of it in."

The publication is put out once a year almost completely by the students. Volunteer students from the commercial department handle the typing and the audio-visual department binds it and helps with ideas about cover design and layout.

The book is free but a 25 cent donation, which makes you a Wellandvale patron or booster, is customary.

Gilliane Chapman is principal editor of the book.

Purse thief still at large

Niagara Regional Police have made little progress in capturing the purse thief at Niagara College.

Inspector A. Nelson, Welland detachment, said investigations are continuing but so far little has turned up.

By early November, a total of six purses or wallets had been stolen. In late November, a leather coat was taken from the girls change room of the Mackenzie building.

"With the wallets there's not much we can do other than keep an eye open," Inspector Nelson said. Although one description of a purse snatcher was given to police, inspector Nelson said there was no way of knowing if the purse and the coat thief were the same person. It is not known whether all the purses have been taken by the same person or not.

No thefts have taken place in 1976 but police are keeping a close eye on the college.

Bus service continuing

Bus service from St. Catharines to Niagara College, begun last term, is continuing this with 27 students signed up as of the first week.

The cost of \$90 and schedule remain the same.

However, if there are some students who do not need the service for the whole term, special arrangements for reduced costs can be arranged, says Mary Petruzella, admissions officer.

Miss Petruzella said the bus made a small amount of money last term, which was put in a fund. The fund is helping to run the bus until more people take advantage of it this term. About 50 students used the bus last term.

The schedule is:
1 Grantham Plaza - Scott and Vine Streets (Parking lot near Canadian Tire Store) 7:35 a.m.
2 Fairview Mall - Carlton Street and QEW (at the public transit stop near mall entrance) 7:45
3 Municipal parking area - the Parkway (behind Beattie's Stationery) 7:55 a.m.
4 Pen Centre - Glendale and Hwy. 406 (near Simpson-Sears Auto Centre) 8:00 a.m.

WRAP young but already active in-forming action committees

By BEV DELANEY

Members of the Women's Regional Action Program (WRAP) — the group set up as a result of the Women's Festival here last spring — have agreed upon its structure.

At a meeting Jan. 12 at Niagara College, members adopted in principle a structure committee report which outlined an organization headed by an executive director and a five-member board of directors.

A finance committee has been formed to investigate WRAP funding and another committee will deal with energy crisis questions. A WRAP representative was appointed to attend a meeting to form a regional Rape Crisis Centre.

Membership in WRAP is open to any interested individual.

The board of directors is to be elected by the general membership and is to represent the entire Niagara Region where pract-

Cabinet would oppose any restrictions on colleges

The Ontario cabinet would strongly oppose any steps "that would restrict a college's ability to respond to the needs of the community."

So said Dr. Harry C. Parrott, minister of colleges and universities, in a speech to the presidents and chairmen of board of governors of the colleges of applied arts and technology in Toronto on Jan. 12 in regard to the Henderson Report.

The report recommends, among other things, that part-time general interest courses in the colleges be run on a full cost-recovery basis.

"We recognize the value of such courses, and would strongly oppose any steps that would restrict a college's ability to respond to the needs of its community," Dr. Parrott said.

An important fact to remember about the report, he said, is "that its

spirit and intent are more important than its specific recommendations."

"I know I can persuade my cabinet colleges to reject any proposals that would negate the role of the colleges for the sake of purely fiscal economies that ignore the tangible and intangible values of the services they provide."

The recommendations of the report are being studied by the Council of Regents who, he said, will surely "address your concerns more than adequately when they make their formal response."

Dr. Parrott said the Henderson Report was put forward in the spirit of "economy and efficiency."

He said in his conclusion the colleges must make "every effort to maintain that balance (economy and efficiency) and live within the levels of support that I have outlined for you today."

To Ice Follies

Travel Club plans first trip

A trip to see the Ice Follies in Toronto, Jan. 25, is one of the first events planned by the newly formed Niagara College Travel Club.

The trip, open to all Niagara College students, staff and faculty, will be limited to 47 persons. Treasurer Arden Phair said the club has arranged to have the best seats in the house for the Ice Follies. Tickets at \$9.50 per person are available through the Student Administrative Council (SAC) office or by contacting any one on the Travel Club executive at the Sheraton Foxhead Inn in Niagara Falls.

The trip is one of many planned for this term by the club. Others in the planning stages are to the Ontario Science Centre in Toronto, a tour of Andres Wines in Beamsville and a car rally.

As well as arranging tours and trips for the college, the Travel Club will hold a series of travelogue shows twice a month. Although the first film, titled Spain, was shown during the evening, Jan. 15, the remaining shows will be held in the Simcoe building room 211 during the lunch hours.

The travel club organized in early December, is open to all students. One advantage of being a member is a 10 per cent discount on all club activities.

"We're here to serve the student body of Niagara College," said Arden. He said the club welcomes

suggestions for tours or events.

The club has now chosen its executive: president, Ed Golubienko, vice president, Yvonne Kerkdyke; treasurer, Arden Phair; secretary, Marie Driscoll; and public relations, Beverly Hands.

Henderson Report,

food prices,

seminar topics

The Henderson Report, which recommends the elimination of student loans and grants and the raising

of tuition fees, and food prices are the two topics of a seminar being sponsored by the Peninsula Anti-Poverty Organization.

The seminar will be held on Jan. 31 at the Hungarian Hall in Welland from 10 a.m. to 5p.m. There will be a registration fee with a lunch and baby sitting provided.

Sean O'Flynn, a Niagara College teacher on leave for a year will speak on the report. Walter Miller

who is on the executive of the National Farmers' Union will speak on "Can food prices be frozen?"

brought forward by the membership, appropriate action committees will be formed.

An affiliation committee is active. It is seeking WRAP membership in the National Action Committee on the Status of Women. This non-governmental organization is an affiliation of concerned women's groups across Canada.

While there is no similar provincial body, WRAP will maintain contact with the Ontario Status of Women Council, a provincial government agency.

Two Niagara College staff members are working on WRAP committees. Gail Hilyer, chairperson of the extension division, applied arts is a member of the affiliation committee. Eric Robinson, chairman of community education, labour and management studies is serving on the finance committee.

Roving Reporter

Do you think the college should have a week of holidays in February, and have the week added onto the school year?

By CAROL McKNIGHT
and ROB POTTER



Nick McCollick

Doris Sensabaugh, Law and Security, year one: "I don't know. No, I'd rather get it, the term, over with quickly so I can get out earlier. We don't need a break, we have enough breaks as it is."

Nick McCollick, Business Administration, year one: "No. I think if we're going to have a holiday we should have two weeks off and not bother adding them onto the end of the term. No, really, I'd rather get



Connie Cavanagh

out a week earlier in April than spend a week in February doing nothing."

John Lianga, Basic Drafting instructor: "Well, it's a bit close to the Christmas holiday and the end of the term is so far away. In February, you just barely start and then you have a holiday again. Some way mid-term would be a little bit better because you could cut the course in two."



Ken Wilson

Ken Wilson, Construction Technician, year one: "This is my graduating year and if I have to stay away from work one more week more for school, I'd rather leave it the way it is and not have the week off in February."

Connie Cavanagh, General College, year two: "An extra week to me wouldn't make any difference. It doesn't really matter. I guess I'd like the break."

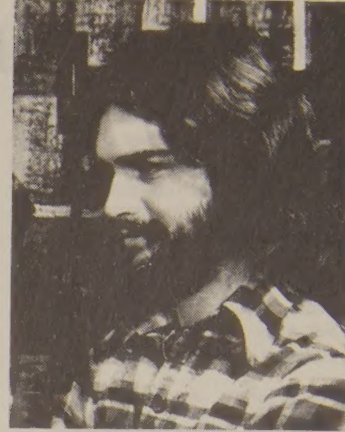


Doris Sensabaugh

Brian Wintermute, Law and Security, year one: "I don't really agree with it. Actually, I'd rather not have the break and the extra week added on because it's not that important."

Dwight Penner, Radio and TV, year one: "I think they should have a week break but I don't think they should have it put on the end of the term."

Scott Emmons, Retraining: "Yes, I



Dwight Penner

think they should have the break."

Rosemary Masitti, Retraining: "For me it's no good because I have to go until August and I need that extra week. I wouldn't want the week break."

Gabrellia Damico, General Business, year one: "No, I wouldn't want that. I would just like to finish school in April. I wouldn't like to go any longer than I have to."

Job interview time for NC students

By ROB POTTER

Question: Who would the following words be attributed to?

- "Nervous"
- "Very nervous"
- "Shakey"
- "Fine"

- A) Rebels facing a firing squad?
- B) Theatre Arts students about to open a new production?
- C) Construction students about to study dynamiting?
- D) None of the above.

If you answered D), you're right. These quotes were gathered by a Niagara News reporter when he asked some students how they felt before being interviewed for jobs last week.

Like it or not, a good number of Niagara College students will have to put on their best clothes, comb their hair and smile when they face job interviews within the next four months. As many as 50 or more interviews could be held here between now and the end of this term.

The question is why do students feel nervous before they are interviewed and what can they do to calm themselves?

The answer to the first part of that question seems to lie in human nature. In a job interview, the person is taking a big step towards his future. He is being judged on personal merits, and, if they don't measure up, he won't get the job.

The answer to the second part may be nothing. Most people just can't help getting nervous when someone they don't know is forced upon them, especially when that someone is deciding whether a person is good enough to handle a job.

Niagara College's placement handbook says, "The most important single step you will take in securing a permanent career position is the personal interview with the company representative."

It adds, "The interview is not an ordeal but an opportunity for the exchange of information between two interested people."

In other words, don't let the interview scare you.

But most students still tremble and break out in a cold sweat as the hour of the interview approaches.

Ralph Lastrocco, a Mechanical Technology student — one of 13 industrial management and mechanical technology students interview-

ed here by Firestone Rubber Company Jan. 8 — said he was "a bit uptight" before his interview.

Ralph said his opinion of the interviewer was he was "okay!"

He said he prepared for the interview by reading some information on the company. He has been interviewed twice before.

Kenneth Anderson, college placement officer, said although interviews have been taking place since December, the companies have not yet announced who they will hire.

"They might know who they want to hire," he said, "but they'll wait a few weeks to give the student a chance to check out other opportunities."

He said it would probably be the end of January before the companies who have held interviews so far announce their decision.

Jan. 12 another set of interviews was held here.

This time, representatives from the Bank of Nova Scotia were interviewing business accountancy students for a management trainee position.

Christina D'uva said she was "shakey" and held up a trembling hand to demonstrate, as she waited for her interview.

Beside her, Randy Jones, another business student, said he wasn't nervous and prepared for the interview by thinking about "what I'd like to be and do."

Stuart Craig, who just finished his interview, said, "I feel just the same now as I did before I went in. Fine."

He said the interview was "just like talking to a teacher or a friend. He (the interviewer) just asked questions a friend would ask."

Stuart said the interviewer was "easy to talk to."

As for the interviewers, they found Niagara students well prepared and top-notch.

John Neeteson of Firestone said the Niagara students he talked to were "very good calibre", but he had not had a chance to consider each one's potential when interviewed by the News.

He said his usual procedure for the interviews is to review the application form with the student, discuss the student's background and then explain both the job requirements — production man-

agement trainee — and the type of company Firestone is. He said that helps the students to know what he or she is getting into.

He said he would review the interviews later that evening and report to Firestone's personnel department "based on the information on the application forms and anything I have to add to them."

He said it would be a couple of weeks before the personnel department — which has final say in hiring — would make its decision.

Michael Brown of the Bank of Nova Scotia has visited Niagara several times and called the people he interviewed "good. They're very mature, well-prepared and interested."

Most important on his list of requirements was the ability to relate and communicate with people. Attitude also played a major role but physical appearance — although "it has some role to play because the employee would be meeting people all the time — had only a "small part" to play.

He said he usually asked students questions about their educational and employment background, but occasionally threw some "curve balls" to test the student's reaction and sincerity.

Mr. Anderson said, "I'm pleased with what I've seen from our students so far. They're coming well-prepared and well-dressed. I know that most of the employers are pleased also."

So, if you have a job interview coming up, take heart in knowing that there are ways to help calm your nerves and boost your confidence.

One step is to read the Niagara College Placement Handbook available at the counselling area in Tecumseh Centre. It tells how to prepare for the interview and gives advice on what to do during the interview.

Obviously, the book can't tell you how every minute of the interview is going to go and an important part of the interview is being yourself. But the advice it contains will be valuable to you.

Dress as you would for any formal or semi-formal meeting. The first impression is important when you are interviewed.

So you see, it's e-e-e-easy.

NC credited for success

By MARK TESSIER

Peter Orr dropped out of grade 9 in 1955 and at this very moment he is a student at the Palmer School of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa.

Impossible, you say? Not when you remember that Niagara College is around to serve people like Mr. Orr.

In 1971, Mr. Orr, who was 32 at the time, decided to get his high school education finished. So he enrolled in the Niagara College School of Re-training for academic up-grading, Grades 10-12. He attended the Niagara Falls campus, transferred to the Wellandvale campus and qualified to join the main campus community as a first-year lab technician in 1972.

But our Cinderella story is not without its ugly sisters and step-mother. After being out of school for 16 years, Mr. Orr had not exactly chosen the easiest course on campus and, in his own words, he "failed the first term miserably."

On the advice of the guidance department, Mr. Orr switched to General College in January of 1973. He did much better in that stream but because of his failure in the technicians' course, he did not

graduate.

Undaunted, Mr. Orr applied to the chiropractic school in 1974. Finally, in the summer of 1975, Palmer accepted all his Niagara credits and Mr. Orr was "ecstatic."

Why would anyone want to go to a school of chiropractic? Well, Mr. Orr comes from a family which boasts of three generations of chiropractors. In fact, his grandparents started the Niagara Falls chiropractic clinic. With this kind of background, chiropractic has been his ambition since he was a child.

(Chiropractic is the method of treating disease by manipulation of the body joints, especially the spine. No drugs are dispensed or surgery performed.)

Mr. Orr gives most of the credit for his remarkable success story to Niagara College. "I never would have got into Palmer if I hadn't gone to Niagara. There isn't one teacher I've come in contact with who hasn't gone out of his or her way to help."

It takes a special kind of man to do what Mr. Orr has done. It's not easy to change your life after 16 years, but Mr. Orr did it and he deserves all the good things that are happening to him now.

Good luck Peter!

Supervisory training program to be continued in April

Niagara's supervisory training program, the first of its kind in Ontario community colleges, will be continued in April, says Doug Finch, chairman of the extension division of the School of Business.

The course was initiated in September and three separate sessions were held, accommodating 42 students. It began as a result of a meeting between Mr. Finch and Bud MacLaughlin, Corporation Personnel Manager at Hayes-Dana.

Mr. MacLaughlin told Mr. Finch there was a real need for a supervisory training program for the "front-line supervisors" in industry. These are men who are directly involved with the laborers on the production floor.

Mr. Finch agreed to set up the course, and formed an advisory

council of personnel managers from local industries. They, in turn, set up a sub-committee of supervisory personnel who would be in a position to participate in the program. This sub-committee decided what should be included in the program.

Each section of the program runs for four weeks; participants are paid by their employers to attend the course on a full time basis. There are a maximum of 15 students per session.

The staff of the program are, for the most part, instructors in the regular School of Business and all are experienced in industry so they are able to appreciate the problems the students might run into on the job.

Winter increases parking problems surpassing previous horrors

Parking at Niagara College seemed to be at its worst last September with an increase in enrolment. But now with the coming of winter, the parking problem has surpassed its previous horrors.

In September, it was a simple case of too many cars for two few spaces. The problem remains the same this term, with the added dimension of ice and snow.

With more precipitation than usual this winter, the parking lot has turned sloppy. Snow and ice have obliterated the parking space lines, forcing motorists to park in haphazard positions, often taking up more than one of the valuable spaces. Snow piles from plowing have also taken up spaces.

Jack Spittle, manager of property and plant, describes snow clearing as a many-faceted problem, one which Niagara has difficulty with on a limited budget.

"It is a problem and we try and cope with it as best as we can," he said. "Sometimes we're successful, sometimes we're not. I would like to have more money than we now have for snow removal."

A contracting firm comes in at night to clear the parking lot. Snow

removal during the day relies strictly upon a rented pickup truck with a plow attachment and a few shovels.

"We keep the main arteries clear and people, if they have to, can move where they want," Mr. Spittle said. "Access around the college has not really been too bad. We usually have the parking lot cleared within

24 hours of a major snowfall. You have to allow this amount of time for the service people to clear the roads."

Mr. Spittle said none of the college employees are concerned with full-time snow removal operations. The job is handled by the custodians and building superintendents when their other duties permit it.

"We try and keep on top by sanding but this creates another problem," Mr. Spittle said. "If we sand too much, it gets tracked through the school."

Parking still remains a problem at the college. Mr. Spittle thinks that it will be tough these first few weeks back, but, as before, it should ease as students form new car pools.

Mr. Spittle said "There is something in the wind" for relieving the cramped parking situation but he refused to comment on what he meant.

3 new portables for Niagara

Three more portables have been added to the existing four because of extension of the dental assistant program and general lack of space in Niagara College, says Jack Spittle, manager of property and plant.

The portables are a temporary measure, being leased until the new building is completed.

Mr. Spittle said S301 and possibly S302 will be coming out of service to make room for a new dental clinic comprising eight dental chairs on the third floor of the Simcoe building.

'76 another busy term for N/C Theatre Centre

Niagara College Theatre Centre this term will present three plays, a mystery, a classic and a children's production.

The Ghost Train by Arnold Ridley, now in rehearsal, will be presented from Feb. 18 to 21.

The second play, Antigone by Sophocles, plays from April 21 to 24 as part of a Dionysian Festival the theatre centre will hold during that week. Dionysus was the Greek god of life, fertility and wine.

Second year theatre arts students will put on a children participation production in the rehearsal March 14 to 20, as yet untitled.

Niagara's theatre department will also be handling the technical end of three Press Theatre productions. These are: Sleuth, by Anthony Shaffer, Jan. 23-31; Motel, Patrick Pearce, Feb. 27 to March 6; and a Canadian play not yet announced, April 2 to 10.

Niagara's first political club is Progressive Conservative

The first political club has been organized on campus — the Niagara College Progressive Conservative Campus Club.

An interim executive was elected Dec. 12 with Bev Delaney, president; John Bruce, vice-president and Dave Kindy, secretary-treasurer. Next year's executive will be elected at the March annual meeting.

The Niagara Club was officially recognized by the provincial council at a meeting at York University Dec. 13. It is now part of the Ontario Progressive Conservative Campus Association, from colleges and universities across Ontario.

"Since we are a small club, with just eight members, we are laying the foundation for future clubs," Bev said. "No fund-raising projects are planned but we hope to have speakers come to the campus. We are also co-operating with the Brock club on joint interest programs."

Started with Four

The Dominion of Canada in 1867 had only four provinces: Quebec, Ontario, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

French theatre's first production

Le Theatre Francais du Niagara will present the first play on Jan. 28. The production will be L'Educatrice des Filles, by Jean Marsan.

The play is directed by George Delisle from Quebec City and will run until Feb. 7.

M. Delisle will also direct the second production for the French troupe, L'Auberge des morts Subites. This play will run from Feb. 24 to March 6 and will be a part of French week in Welland.

The company manager is Michel Lisois. Along with the first two plays, M. Lisois says the company will present another play, Le Moliere. The dates have not been set. There will be a community project, perhaps a one-man show, which would introduce the public to French theatre. This project would tour the peninsula, especially in the schools, so that the company would be able "to reach all levels, from children to older people," M. Lisois said.

Anyone interested in taking part in this program, in any capacity, is asked to phone M. Lisois at 735-4900.

Job interview techniques purpose of an IEEE seminar

An employment seminar for members of graduating Niagara College electrical and electronics classes is being planned by the college's Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) in February with the executives from local industry demonstrating interview techniques.

Gordon Chen, IEEE faculty advisor, said this new creation of IEEE will provide students with information on how they can better their chances of successful employment interviews.

The interviewers will choose a student and interview him during an IEEE meeting and then comment on the student's handling of the interview situation. Through this, students will gain insight into the

sometimes nerve-racking job interviews.

IEEE members are also planning a trip to the Ontario Science Centre in Toronto, possibly in conjunction with a tour of one of Ontario's ever-popular breweries.

Mr. Chen said the club is also lining up guest speakers from local industries for future meetings which are open to all students of Niagara College.

Two Entities

The Constitutional Act of 1701 split Quebec into self-governing parts. British settlers occupied Upper Canada, the region along the Great Lakes and the Upper Saint Lawrence River. The former French settlements to the northeast were called Lower Canada.



Hannelore Headley

(Photo by McKnight)

Second hand bookstore deals in large variety

By CAROL McKNIGHT

She sinks back into the large swivel chair, hands folded neatly on her lap. Her eyes move slowly among the shelves lined with old books. She glances out the window then back to the books.

Hannelore Headley, the owner of Hannah's Books, 71 Queen St., St. Catharines, is comfortable in the store among books dating back as far as the 1700s.

Born in Germany and raised in China, Mrs. Headley came to Canada with her family in 1953. She has lived in Montreal, Vancouver, and St. Catharines since she has been in Canada.

"I've been in and out of the book business now for 20 years," she said. "I grew up in a book-dealing family; my father was a book dealer."

While living in Vancouver Mrs. Headley owned a small book store. She also worked as a bibliographer at the University of British Columbia and at Simon Fraser University. When she moved to St. Catharines she worked in the St. Catharines Public Library. From her work in libraries, Mrs. Headley said she found out which types of books most interest people and which do not.

The books in Mrs. Headley's store range from fiction, historical and music books, to children's stories, art and drama books. The oldest book she has ever had was published in 1489, within the first 50 years of printing. Rare books like this are extremely hard to find and usually cost "several hundred dollars," depending on the condition, the year of printing and the type of book.

Books from the 1700s and 1800s turn up "frequently," but because of the content and style of writing in books from the Victorian era, they are not considered quite as valuable as others.

Many of Mrs. Headley's customers visit the store often. "Not a day passes that someone doesn't take the time to sit and talk"

Mrs. Headley knows the reading interests of customers who are regular patrons of the store, and will often call them up to let them know when a book they may be interested in comes in.

She prefers to buy books from customers, rather than to trade. If the customer then wants to buy one of her books, she sells it.

"I depend fairly heavily on people coming to me," Mrs. Headley said. "It's always very nice if you can purchase a large number of books at one time."

She occasionally goes to auctions to buy books, but more often gets them from second hand book stores in Toronto and Montreal.

"It's important to have your stock changed," she said. "Customers will become discouraged if they come back and find the same books on the shelf."

Though the books sold at the store are second hand, most are in good condition.

Mrs. Headley described her job as "one of the most charming and pleasant professions you can be in because you have the advantage of being surrounded by books."

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Pot Shots

By ROB POTTER

Sports, Yes! Booze, No!

In what may be the most short-sighted decision of recent years, Sidney Handleman, Ontario consumer affairs minister, says he is considering allowing the sale of beer at sports arenas in this province.

Surely he jests!

Has the honorable minister failed to have a look at the goings-on in recent years in North American sport?

In the final game of this year's National Football League season, a Buffalo Bills "fan" used Chuck Foreman as a target for a snowball and was nearly responsible for ending the career of one of the game's best running backs.

Fortunately, Foreman recovered from the blurry sight he experienced after the snowball struck him in the eye.

A week later, when the same Vikings were playing Dallas Cowboys in the first round of the NFL playoffs, a hometown (Minnesota) fan decided to protest Dallas's game-winning, last-minute touchdown by throwing an empty whiskey bottle from the stands to the field.

The bottle hit referee Armand Terzian in the back of the head and Terzian was helped from the field with a bandage covering the wound.

Last year, before the start of a National Hockey League game in Buffalo, Sabre star Rick Martin was hit by a paper airplane launched by some misdirected aeronautics engineer from the cheap seats in Memorial Auditorium.

All these incidents are related, directly or indirectly to alcohol being available at sports events. (We'll admit, though, that the Martin incident could have been the result of a small child with a very good arm and better-than-average knowledge of aerodynamics.)

Canada too!

Of course, these all happened in the United States and these things don't happen in Canada. Right?

In the 1970 Memorial Cup (Junior A hockey) championships, the St. Catharines Black Hawks were attacked when they played Quebec Ramparts in the Montreal Forum (where alcohol is sold) by fans wielding (allegedly) knives and beer bottles.

We know of a juvenile lacrosse game where six players from Malton (north of Toronto) sat in the stands between periods of a game and downed a few cold ones.

Wonderful. Fortunately, (because lacrosse is a game, especially in the juvenile and junior ranks, where fighting is not uncommon), the players were taken away by police before they could begin a near-riot (also not uncommon in lacrosse) in the cheering sections.

And the stories go on.

How about England where drunken fans have degraded the game of soccer to the point where those who go to watch good athletic competition have to watch on TV or not at all, rather than risk being killed or wounded in cheering section combat.

Doesn't help situation

One argument to be raised for allowing legal booze to be sold at Ontario sporting events is "...Well, there are lots of games held where things like that don't happen.

That's good. If it did happen at every event where sports and booze are mixed, the need for this argument would be eliminated.

The whole problem is it has happened in the past, is happening now in increasing incidence, and will continue to happen.

"It would happen even if alcohol weren't allowed in these places."

That's probably true. But it's like saying people would still die if cars weren't allowed on the highways. It really doesn't help the situation.

More security at games

Then there's the attitude of Maple Leaf Gardens owner Harold Ballard. He feels legalizing drinking in the Gardens would stop a lot of "sneaky drinking." The Gardens staff apparently cleans up "four or five big garbage cans full of whiskey bottles" after every game.

In other words, Mr. Ballard would rather raise the bridge than lower the water.

Why not assign a few more security people to control drinking at the games held there?

The biggest laugh here is that Handleman is not looking at the physical aspects of alcohol and sports at all.

Instead, he is visiting arenas in Winnipeg and Montreal to see how well the *profits* from beer sales are doing.

Don't get us wrong. We, too, would love to be able to watch our favorite team from a ringside seat with a brew in our mitt, but human nature is an untrustworthy thing and, unfortunately, many people will abuse the privilege.

Check out the statistics on teenage alcoholism since the drinking age was lowered by the provincial government.

We immediately celebrated. But now we think of friends and acquaintances who were killed or injured because they couldn't handle their new-found responsibility and an automobile (or motorcycle) at the same time.

If the provincial government feels it can erase some of the provincial debt by peddling beer at sports arenas, let them at least have the sense to control it somehow and restrict it so that it is a pleasure, not a danger.

Hockey Knights in third position, back-to-back victories over Seneca

The Niagara Knights hockey team got back on the winning track, led by Bill Brown, with back-to-back victories over the Seneca Braves in the last two games before the Christmas break in the schedule.

The Knights are in third place, six points behind Fanshawe and up five points on Conestoga.

The Knights went down to the powerful St. Clair Saints one week before their victories over the Braves. The Saints defeated the Knights by a 7-2 margin. The Knights matched goals with the

Saints in the first period. Despite many scoring opportunities in the second frame by both teams the game remained tied at a goal apiece.

Niagara fell behind early in the third period but didn't give up. They pulled into a tie at 7:30 of the period before St. Clair turned it on and pulled away to win the game. Goaltender Howard Goetz was superb in the nets; he was called on to make several outstanding saves on numerous St. Clair breakaways.

The Knights were outshot 57-35. Jerome Coakley and Bob Stuart

scored Niagara goals.

The Knights travelled to Seneca Dec. 12 to play the hot and cold Seneca team. Bill Brown was the game's top performer scoring five goals for the Knights, four of them consecutively. He is the league's top scorer with 15 goals and five assists for 20 points. Defencemen Norm Lalonde leads the league in assists with 15.

The Knights defeated Seneca 8-3 to gain a long awaited road victory. Pat Flynn, Jerome Coakley and Tom MacClean also tallied for the Knights.

The following night the Knights were at home to face the same Seneca team. The Braves came up cold and the Knights came up hot. The Knights defeated the Braves 7-3 with top sniper Bill Brown contributing two goals as did Pat Flynn. Singles went to John Latinovich, Norm Lalonde and Bob Buckner.

In the Knights first 10 games this season they have been outscored 58-48 to post three wins, six losses and one tie.

U. of W. J. V.'s dump Knights

The height advantage of the Waterloo Freshmen basketball team, combined with some rather comical officiating, proved too much for the Niagara Knights Jan. 12, as Waterloo scored an 89-66 victory at the Niagara gym.

The Knights kept the score close for most of the game thanks to some fine outside shooting from Wayne Wiese and Brian Johnson. Waterloo was up only four points at the half, 34-30.

In the second half, the teams scored almost basket for basket until the eight-minute mark when Waterloo began to pull away.

Niagara's Wayne Wiese led all scorers with 22 points. Waterloo's Doug Willoughby collected 21 points and Steve Fulkerson had 17. Scott King and Jim Commerford each scored 12 points for the visiting Freshmen.

Mike Soucie dumped in 12 points and Brian Johnson added 9 in a losing effort for the Knights.

Wellandvale hockey team

The Wellandvale campus has started its own hockey team, the Vales.

The Vales play against a variety of opponents as they are not a part of any league. Their competition has been mostly against industrial league teams, although they did play the Niagara Knights.

The Vales boast a record of six wins, two losses, and a tie. One of their losses came at the hands of the Knights, but the captain of the Vales has promised that their next encounter with the main campus team, if there is one, will be a different story.

The Vales have scheduled a game in February with the Fanshawe varsity team. The date is not definite, but a bus will go to the game at a cost of \$6 per person. Anyone interested in going should contact Trevor Paddle, president of the Student Senate on the Wellandvale campus.

SPORTS

Cagers 'playing better,' 2 wins, 2 losses in Jan.

Niagara College's basketball team is "playing better" says Peter Rylander, athletics co-ordinator and coach of the team.

So far this term, Niagara has played four games, winning two and losing two. Niagara won against Georgian and Conestoga colleges and lost to the University of Waterloo freshmen and Mohawk College.

The Knights played at Georgian on Jan. 7, defeating them by 95 - 44. Top scorers for Niagara were Mike Soucie, 20; Wayne Wiese, 17; Brian Johnson, 16; Kurt Bromhall, 14, and Dave Zalba, 14.

On Jan. 9, Conestoga came to Niagara and lost to the Knights 90 - 65. Top scorers for Niagara were Wayne Wiese, 19; Mike Soucie, 17;

Larry Dance, 15; Dave Zalba, 14; Brian Johnson, 13, and Tom Boese 10.

An exhibition game against the University of Waterloo freshmen, played here on Jan. 12, resulted in a loss for Niagara by 89 - 66.

At Mohawk on Jan. 13, Niagara lost again, this time by a score of 95 - 60. Top scorers for Niagara were Wayne Wiese, 13; Mike Soucie, 11, and Dave Zalba, 10. Commenting on this game, Mr. Rylander said, "they blew us right out of the gym. They had the best defence we have seen in the league."

A game played just before the Christmas holidays resulted in a loss for Niagara against Sheridan College, 92 - 72.

Ice Knights victimized by powerful St. Clair Saints

St. Clair Saints trounced Niagara Knights 7-2 in hockey action at the Welland Arena on Jan. 10.

The Saints jumped into a quick lead, scoring at the 29 second mark of the opening period. They quickly added two more goals and built up a 3-0 lead before the game was five minutes old. They added another to hold a 4-0 stranglehold after the first 20 minutes.

The Knights managed to get on the scoreboard in the second period but trailed 7-1 heading into the third. The Knights seemed to be fighting the puck all night and failed to generate much offence.

The Knights blanked the Saints in the final period with some close checking. Bob Buckner managed to score for the Knights to close out the scoring.

Starting goalie Howard Goetz was replaced by Ed Sherwood in the first period.

Coach Fred Bassi said, "I felt Howard wasn't moving as well as he could so I thought I would give the other goalie a chance."

The first Niagara goal was scored by Doug Ness.



Gym gets painted (Photo by Radunsky)

Two men work on top of scaffolding as gym gets a new paint job for the new year.

Housing film to look at student housing problems

By DAVE KINDY

A documentary looking into the problems of student housing at Niagara College will be the subject of a film by a second year Radio and TV student.

Mike Tomasek, who has experienced this problem himself, will delve into this area of concern and try to discover what difficulties exist for out-of-town students relocating in Welland.

The film will be 10 to 15 minutes long and will consist of highlights of interviews with student tenants, landlords, college housing officials and possibly the Rent Control Board. Mike will look into the availability and cost of room and board, living conditions, college assistance, landlord attitudes and apartments.

Mike's reasons for producing the film are personal. Originally from Montreal, he has had to move four times in the 1½ years he has lived in Welland. Through his own exper-

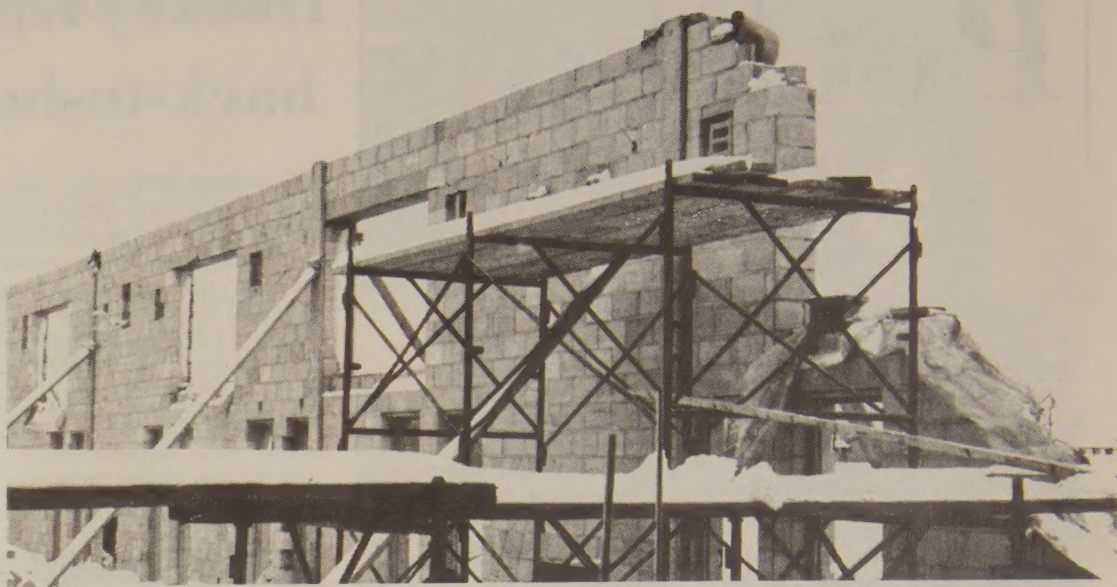
ience, he has discovered some of the pitfalls of finding housing.

"It can be hard on a first-time student," he said in an interview explaining the problems. "Their average age is probably 18 or 19 and never been away from home. It can be pretty hairy for them trying to find a place to stay. The student can be taken for a really bad trip."

Though Mike may have his own personal prejudices on the subject, he said he will be as unbiased as possible in his film report. He said the film will take the format of an expose but it will serve as a fact-finder and not a muckraker.

"I'm not out to blast anyone," he said. "The film will serve more to enlighten than blast, unless of course, there are some real atrocities."

The film is in its planning stages and will not be shot for a few days. Mike asks persons interested in being interviewed on student housing to call him at extension 300.



Building construction moving on schedule

Visible signs of Niagara College's new technology and business wing are rising from the once-empty field behind Tecumseh Centre and construction of the building is right on schedule.

So far, much of the outer walls of the building have been completed and forms for inside walls are quickly being finished.

Jack Spittle, property manager for

the college, said "The best way I can describe it is that everything's right on schedule." He said some parts of construction may even be ahead of schedule.

Bob Morley of Cooper Construction Company Limited, the contractors, said progress is proceeding on schedule, but a slowdown due to cold weather could slacken the pace.

He said finding equipment under

fresh-fallen snow and working in the below zero (Celsius) temperature is "one hell of a job."

However, Cooper does expect to complete the construction, by the end of 1976, as promised in the tender submitted last year.

As yet unnamed, the building is planned to cover 83,000 square feet and will feature new concepts in classrooms and laboratories.

Supervisor finally appointed after ten month long search

Tony Adams, former maintenance supervisor at the University of Toronto media centre, has become Instructional Television Services new operations supervisor, thus ending a prolonged manpower shortage in the department.

For 10 months, TV services had been searching for a new technician to maintain Niagara's radio and television equipment. Mr. Adams started work at the college Jan. 5.

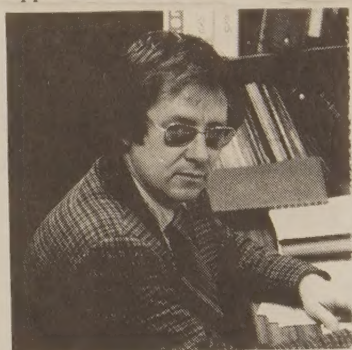
Mr. Adams, who has worked with several television stations in Britain and Canada, is quite pleased with his new job and one reason for coming to Niagara College in an interview:

"I was tired of the big city. I'd lived in Toronto since 1970 and I wanted to get out and into the 'sticks'. I lived only 10 miles from where I worked but it took me 45 minutes to get there. It was kind of rough."

He said his work so far at the college had been tough. A lot of reorganization was required within the department because of the recent addition of color equipment he said. Another reason for reorganization is because of the setup in the department:

"It's not as professionally set up as the University of Toronto. We'll try and change this but it requires money and money is very tight at this time."

Mr. Adams is the first operations supervisor for TV services in three years. The department had done without by adding an extra technician to the staff. Until last year, when two technicians resigned, things had run smoothly. A shortage of trained personnel with broadcast experience kept the job open for 10 months until Mr. Adams applied in December.



Tony Adams

Mr. Adams comes to Niagara College with 17 years experience. Originally from Great Britain, he graduated from Coventry Technical College, majoring in Radio and Television. He worked as a video engineer for ABC (no affiliation with the American Broadcasting Corporation) and ATV in Birmingham and with TV Wales.

Improvements result from petition

There has been some improvement in Hotel and Tourism School conditions since students circulated a petition in mid-December. The petition, addressed to A.S. Manera, Niagara College president, complained of lack of heat, poor lighting and dirty washrooms.

Furniture in the student lounges, described by D.M. Barnett, program co-ordinator as "dreadful", is being replaced this week. A new three-seater chesterfield and nine chairs have been purchased by the college.

Both Mr. Manera and Annot P. McIntee, dean of the school of business, toured the school in mid-December. Both sent memos addressed to the students.

Mr. Manera noted that the most serious problem, the heating, had been remedied. "Other problems of a lesser nature have either been corrected or could not be improved by College action at this time. I am sure you'll appreciate that, when leasing facilities, there is a limit to the number of improvements that can be achieved."

Space for the school is rented from the Sheraton-Foxhead Inn in Niagara Falls. The hotel retains responsibility for maintenance and cleaning.

Mr. McIntee said, "In each wash-room there was an adequate supply of soap, paper towels and toilet tissue. Several sinks and classrooms did require some cleaning. However, for the most part, rooms were reasonably clean, even at the end of the day. Some would have been further improved had used coffee cups been placed in the waste paper baskets."

Some steps have been taken to improve the classroom ventilation, he noted. The largest possible light bulbs have been in use in the Penthouse class room.

"A letter has been sent to Mr. White (owner of the Sheraton-Foxhead) indicating your concerns and some held by staff and administration," Mr. McIntee said.

Students plan seminar on death and dying

Niagara College Social Services students are organizing a seminar on death and dying to be held Friday Feb. 13, in the Hamilton Room.

Second year students organize this seminar as part of their course but participation is the students' own choice. If they choose not to participate, they are assigned a major project.

Titled "The Spiralling Wheel", it is a Seminar on Experiential Dying, Bereaving and Growing, featuring Dr. Mwalimu Imara as guest speaker.

Dr. Imara was born in Nova Scotia in 1930 and raised in Montreal. He has extensive experience with the terminally ill and the bereaved as a pastoral counsellor. He is director of the Boston Centre for Religion and Psychotherapy and is on the staff of the Psychological Counselling Centre at Brandeis University near Boston.

Dr. Imara is a graduate of Meadville Theological School at the University of Chicago. He became assistant and co-ordinator of the initial Death and Dying seminar organized by Dr. Elisabeth Kubler-Ross. He is working on a book that develops the themes of death, religion and personal growth.

The seminar will be closed to the general public and will include professional people such as doctors, psychologists, social workers and clergymen. A \$15 fee is required for those wishing to attend. The money will go towards the dinner provided and Dr. Imara's fee and travel expenses.

Lynn Unruh, chairman of public relations, said, "We have had a very receptive response." The group is hoping for a large crowd but is restricting attendance to 110.

Pat Letwin, seminar chairman, said, "We will be breaking into

Claimed Newfoundland

Sir Humphrey Gilbert claimed Newfoundland in 1583 in the name of Elizabeth 1 of England.

discussing groups and if we had any more than 110, the discussion groups would be too large."

The seminar is an all-day affair with registration starting at 8:30 a.m. There will be discussions and lectures on such topics as the Mythical Images of Death, the Growth Cycle of Loss and Restoration, Growth as Religion, and Coming Alive. There will also be a film called, "How Could I Not Be Among You." A dinner will also be served.

The session will conclude at 5 p.m.

Interviews beginning

If you're going to graduate from Niagara College this April and you're in the job market for your field of study, be ready to present yourself for interviews by potential employers in the near future.

Kenneth Anderson, Niagara College placement officer, said about six companies had visited the college by Jan. 8, but he could not estimate how many would be coming here before the end of this term.

He said the interviewers were working on a schedule of 13 interviews per day. Each interview is about a half-hour long.

About the students who have been interviewed, Mr. Anderson said, "I'm very pleased with what I've seen so far. The students are coming well-dressed and well-prepared."

He added that the companies had also felt pleased with the Niagara students they have interviewed so far.

Mr. Anderson said that no Niagara students graduating this year had been hired yet because most companies give the students a few weeks to check out other potential employers.

He added, however, that the companies may already be making their decisions but students probably will not be informed until the end of January.

Wintario impossible for N/C, still a maybe for Welland

Technical requirements outlined by Wintario make it all but impossible for Niagara College to be the site of the Wintario draw in June, if Welland is successful in obtaining the draw.

Requirements outlined by Wintario call for a stage 40 feet wide and 32 feet deep, stairs leading from the draw machines with a clearance of seven feet in height and five feet in width. Power must also be supplied for the draw machines and the Wintario scoreboard.

Welland Mayor Allan Pietz said the city has turned the matter over to Alderman Ivy Riddell and the Rose Festival Committee. He said the only problem the city is facing is the television production aspect. The concern is that the broadcast cannot reach as much of the province as is deemed necessary. Mr.

Pietz expects this problem will be solved shortly.

"We've gone to the Ontario cabinet and our chances are looking good," Mayor Pietz said. The draws are often held in conjunction with some sports or cultural activity.

Pelham township has also shown an interest in holding a Wintario draw in May.

Mr. Pietz said he did not feel this would hurt Welland's chances because Robert Welch, minister of culture and recreation, told him, "We're anxious to go into any parts of the province."

"The draws may complement each other very well," Mayor Pietz added.

Asking about the technical requirements outlined by Wintario, the mayor replied, "No problem, we have Centennial Auditorium."